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In re Patent Application of:	)	Group Art Unit: 3742
Shunpei YAMAZAKI	)	Examiner: Shawntina T. Fuqua
Serial No. 10/021,708	)	
Filed: December 19, 2001	)	
For: HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS	)	
AND METHOD OF	)	
MANUFACTURING A	)	
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE	)	

**AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 28 of this paper.